

Old Town Historical Committee

Monday, April 12, 2010 5:45 PM **Minutes**

Call to order: Dr. Bender called the meeting to order at 5:44pm.

Roll Call: Present for roll call were Dr. Bender, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry and Mrs. Mershon. Also, in attendance was Mr. Jarvis (Main Street Program), Mr. Garvin (Main Street Program), Mayor Ebert, Mr. Peoples and Mr. Strayer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry moved to approve the minutes of the March 8th, 2010 meeting; seconded by Mrs. Mershon.

VOTE: AYES: Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mrs. Rush Ekelberry

NAYS:

Motion carried.

Pended Items:

06-01 Interurban Building Update

Mr. Jarvis stated that he, the Mayor, Bill Sims, Bob Garvin and Ms. Osborn are meeting with the architect to talk about the interior. They hope to come up with a material list and then they will be able to talk to entities that may be able to donate labor or materials.

The unveiling ceremony for the Interurban historical marker will be May 21st, 2010 at 4pm. An expert on Interurban systems will speak and two people that rode on the last car through Canal Winchester in 1930 will be there for the ceremony; Dorothy Boving Hockman and Bill Boving.

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry suggested selling the surplus T-shirts from the first dedication of the building at this dedication.

09-05 Town Hall Windows Update

Mr. Peoples stated that the Ohio Historical Preservation office is reviewing the design and they hope to have the approval to go out to bid soon.

10-02 Canal Winchester Blues & Ribfest Update

Work continues and the festival looks like it will be a success.

10-03 Downtown Mural

Mr. Strayer stated that he spoke with the owner of the eye doctor's office and they were amenable to the mural being placed on the side of the building. We will look into people who could do the work and what the cost and content would be. The next discussion should be what the mural should be. The cost can be derived once that is determined. Discussion ensued.

New Items for Discussion

10-03 Definition of "Significant exterior modification" for the Preservation District Mr. Strayer stated that he had a conversation with Mr. Jarvis last week about a property that is outside the Historic District but inside the Preservation area. They are trying to determine what triggers going in front of the Planning Commission. The language is vague within the Preservation Guidelines and they would like it to be more specific. Mr. Jarvis gave an example of this issue. Discussion ensued. It was decided that Mr. Jarvis would put together a sheet with suggestions to the next Old Town meeting.

Old Business:

Mr. Strayer noted that the curve on East Columbus is in the Old Town area. Mr. People added that adjustments have been made to the existing signage and additional signage has been added, as well as reflective chevrons. They are also requesting a speed limit reduction on the road before the curve.

Adjournment:

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry moved to adjourn this meeting of the Old Town Committee and was seconded by Mrs. Mershon.

VOTE: AYES: Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mrs. Rush Ekelberry

NAYS:

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:23pm